



**31 July  
2022**

**Trinity 7**



Welcome to  
St Barnabas' in Pound Hill and  
St Nicholas' in Worth

This sheet details the readings in today's  
services as well as notices for everyone.

## SERVICES TODAY

Certain services will still be  
available online (live or recorded)

08:00 Said Eucharist (BCP)	St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher	Rev'd Gordon Parry
10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Celebrant & Preacher	Fr Michael Boag
10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
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11:45 Baptism	St Nicholas'
14:00 Baptism	St Nicholas'

Holy Communion is now offered in both  
kinds, in both our churches.

At the distribution of Communion,  
communicants are invited to come forward,  
first to receive the consecrated bread from  
the priest and then to drink consecrated wine  
from the chalice, or not; it is entirely a matter  
of personal choice.

(Non-communicants are welcome to come  
forward for a blessing.)

Fr Michael

The problem in this week's Gospel parable  
is that the man portrayed by Jesus thinks  
only of himself. He was rich, and God had  
blessed his harvest to the extent that he  
became richer. The issue was about  
stewardship, what to do with his wealth -  
and the responsibility of using wisely the  
gifts that he had.

The farmer talks with no-one but himself.  
No mention here of family or community –  
and he certainly hasn't asked God for  
guidance as to what he should do with his  
riches!

In 2006 I spent my sabbatical in  
Pennsylvania, studying the Amish  
Community – having, on previous visits,  
come across them. Two of the lovely things  
I learned about the Amish communities,  
which now exist mainly in the USA, is their  
simplicity of life and their sharing of wealth;  
the members are fully aware that all that  
they have comes from God. Although  
members live in individual homes and work  
separately either on farms or in local  
industry, they meet regularly for worship  
and social occasions - so that they learn  
about, and can meet the needs of fellow  
members who may be struggling; and not  
necessarily about money.

In the UK, and in several countries, the  
Bruderhof communities, who live together  
in communities of about 300 members, do  
the same. Both groups are aware of their  
utter dependence on God for everything  
they have – and share anything they don't  
need with their neighbourhood and  
charities.

You and I need to be increasingly aware that  
we should become 'rich towards God'  
(v.21). If we accumulate wealth just for  
ourselves, with no concern under God's  
guidance for helping others – that's  
disastrous... When we die, we will face God  
empty-handed - because our riches will not  
carry over into eternity.

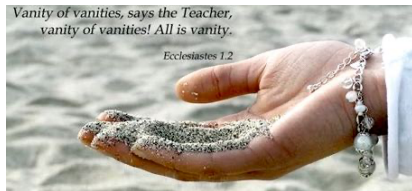
*Fr Francis*

## Collect

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Reading *Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14; 2.18-23*

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.



I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind

to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me - and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

## Psalm *Psalm 49.1-9*

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and



high, rich and poor together. My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding. I will incline my ear to

a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.

Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches? Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it. For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice, that one should live on for ever and never see the grave.

## Reading *Colossians 3.1-11*

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your



minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is

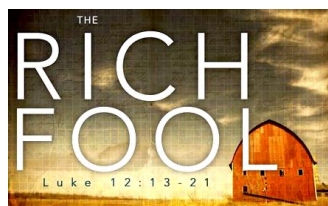
hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things - anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

## Gospel *Luke 12.13-21*

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them,

'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them



a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for

I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

### Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen**

Festivals this week	
Thur 4 Aug	John-Baptiste Vianney, Curé d'Ars, Spiritual Guide 1859 (C)
Fri 5 Aug	Oswald, King of Northumbria, Martyr 642 (LF)
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration	

### Toddlers Group

The Toddlers Group next meets on 6 September.

### The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' restarts after the school Summer holidays

## SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 2 Aug	10:30 Healing Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 4 Aug	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sat 6 Aug	14:00 Wedding	St Nicholas'
Sun 7 Aug	8:00 Eucharist (BCP) 10:00 Sung Eucharist 10:00 Sung Eucharist 14:30 Baptism	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas' St Nicholas'

### Sunday 7 August 2022

#### Transfiguration of Our Lord

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14      Psalm 97  
2 Peter 1.16-19      Luke 9.28-36

## DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

### Messy Church

Next meets in September



The **Saturday Market** on 16 July raised £128.41 for St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. Thanks to all our supporters. The next Market, in the Café and on the patio will be on 17 Sept 10:00-11:30.

### Friday Lunches

Lunch in the Pastoral Centre at 12:30 on **5 August**. Two courses and a drink £7.00. To help with catering please book your place at the Pastoral Centre (café open Wed and Sat) or via the Parish Office, by Wed **3 August**. There will be no traditional Friday lunch on 12 August. The Jigsaw Festival takes place on 12-13 August and on both days we will be serving Ploughman's lunches with a drink (£5) and strawberries and cream (£2). A variety of home-made cakes will also be available. The Café will be open 10:00-16:00 with lunches 12:00-14:00. Everyone is welcome on one or both days!

### St Nicholas' Julian Group

will meet for half an hour of silent prayer on **Wed 10 Aug 12:30**. Everyone welcome!

## Mothers' Union

**Tues 9 August 10:30** at St Barnabas'. The usual Eucharist service this week will also be celebration of the life of the Mothers' Union Founder, Mary Sumner, who died on this day in 1921. Mothers' Union Members are encouraged to join us, as are all non-members who wish to attend the service; we welcome everyone. Refreshments will be on offer after the service.



**12/13 August**  
**10-4pm**

FREE ENTRY

ST BARNABAS' CHURCH  
POUND HILL RH10 7DY

RAFFLE  
PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCHES  
REFRESHMENTS

in aid of Parish Funds and  
Jigsaw a charity supporting children through bereavement

worthparish.org

**jigsaw puzzle festival**

fitting together  
community

## Harvest 2022

Greetings from Crawley Open House and Easter Team, the local charities behind the Crawley Foodbank Partnership.

Thoughts will soon turn to harvest-time – the most important time of the year for us in stocking up our food warehouse so that we can keep feeding those experiencing homelessness, and distributing food parcels to those in food crisis.

Roughly three quarters of the food we give out has been donated to us, by local schools, companies, individuals, shops and community groups, and we couldn't carry out our vital work without this amazing support.

If you need any further information about our work please contact Zoë Grimshaw 01293 407658 [zoe.grimshaw@crawleyopenhouse.co.uk](mailto:zoe.grimshaw@crawleyopenhouse.co.uk)

## Lighthouse Project: Job Vacancy

Primary Schools Coordinator; 15 hrs/week; £22,545 pro rata. For information & application pack contact [lizzie.ashley@lighthouseprojectcrawley.org](mailto:lizzie.ashley@lighthouseprojectcrawley.org) or call 07766 190315 Closes 1 August.

## Recycling

We continue to recycle **milk bottle tops**. Containers are now available in the Narthex and on Sue's doorstep. Please deliver **by TODAY**. We also collect used postage **stamps** (for the Hospice) and used **printer cartridges** (for McIndoe); deliver to the Narthex. Thank you!

## I 00 Club: June and July

	June	July
£100	Joan Pallet (10)	Don Hewardine (45)
£50	Shirley Sidaway (1)	Judy Stokes (39)
£25	Trevor Stokes (38)	Ian Pallet (44)
£25	Mary Pollatos (20)	Ann Phillipson (24)

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